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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **INOUE, Takakazu**

Group Art Unit: 1637

Serial No.: 10/069,977

Examiner: **Joyce Tung**

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**P.T.O. Confirmation No.: 2998**

**FOR: METHOD OF ANALYZING INTESTINAL FLORA AND ANALYTICAL APPARATUS**

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

September 29, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **July 1, 2004**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.